HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SACC

GOLD STARS!!
We are so excited to report that in May 2019 the Substance Abuse Counseling Center passed Marine Corps Headquarters Certification with zero findings!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) Meetings Now on Base
Thursdays, 1700 at Chapel Rm#5
Open to ALL with Base Access
(Not Affiliated with SACC)

Welcome Aboard!
New SACC Counselors:
Diane Caldwell and Kevin Mains

Diane grew up in a military family. Her father and two brothers were service members. She is also a proud Navy Mom. She worked as a clinician at MCAS Beaufort, SC and Twenty-Nine Palms, CA. She enjoys sailing, SCUBA diving, college football, travel and is an experienced private pilot.

Kevin returned to MCAS Yuma from Camp Pendleton because he loves Yuma people! He is former Navy and has 35 years of experience as a counselor and teacher. Kevin is a proud grandfather of four and has 15 years experience as a glider pilot.
5th Annual Red Ribbon
Trunk or Treat

Thursday
OCT 24th

Parade Deck Time 5-8PM
Contests! Cash Prizes & Prizes!
Fund Raising Opportunities for All Units!

Best Haunted House
Best Decorated Trunk/Vehicle

Bring your carved pumpkin and enter the
Jack O’Lantern Contest!

Best Costume Contest!
Ages: 0-4, 5-8, 9-12, 13-17, 18+
& Best Family Group

An Alcohol & Drug Free Event!

Family games & activities.
Music, food, prizes & door prizes!
Lots of FREE CANDY!

Interested in setting up a Trunk/Vehicle, Booth
/Haunted House or Fundraising?

Call 928 269-3079

MCCS
BEAST
BRADY
Rogers
HACKER
SANDO
Knoop
Save the Date!
October 24th 2019

2019 Red Ribbon Week TOT is Coming Soon!

We are once again gearing up for the *5th Annual Red Ribbon Trunk or Treat (TOT) Event* scheduled for Thursday, October 24, 2019. The Red Ribbon Trunk or Treat is a family, collaborative event with Drug Demand Reduction Program, Sexual Assault Prevention Response, and Marine Corps Family Team Building. The event will take place at the MCAS Parade Deck to celebrate Red Ribbon Week. The main focus of the event is to bring MCAS families together to celebrate a drug/alcohol free evening filled with candy, games, prizes, and great entertainment.

It all started on October 22, 2015. The initial Trunk or Treat event brought out 645 families. Since then, the event has become one of the most successful events at MCAS Yuma in terms of attendance. Last year we had over 3,000 families in attendance!

The intention for this year’s TOT is to make it even bigger than the previous year! We will continue to award the best (1st, 2nd and 3rd) decorated Trunk or Treat vehicles, and this year we are awarding the best haunted house, best costume along with the best group costumes! In addition, we will be awarding 1st & 2nd place best Jack-o-Lanterns so, bring your carved pumpkins to the event!

**REMEMBER THE DATE: 24 OCTOBER 2019. If you are interested in setting up a trunk or treat vehicle, booth, haunted house, or want to fundraise for your unit please contact:** Nadia Orozco, Alcohol Abuse Prevention Specialist at (928) 269-3079.

**PMO Blotter Stats**
**From Jan 2019-July 2019**

As of January 2019, the SACC has received 51 ARIs reported by PMO blotters in which 30 were charged with DUls and 4 underage incidents. 20 DUls were reported off base and 10 DUls were cited on base. The graph to the right shows ARIs by Rank:

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**5th Annual Red Ribbon Week**

**Trunk or Treat Event**

**Thursday, October 24th, Parade Deck 5-8pm**
Drug Demand Reduction Corner
Mr. Virgil S. Tapispisan, DDRC (928) 269-2791

LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD TO FY2020

| Drug Demand Reduction Program (DDRP) continues to keep up with the goal of the program, which is to reduce or eliminate illegal drug use and abuse of OTC and prescription medications by active duty Marines and Sailors on board MCAS Yuma. The number of positive drug test results, as compared to the last fiscal year decreased significantly and is 4% above the target rate of a 25% reduction (table 1). Accordingly, the number of service members testing positive for illicit drugs has dropped drastically to 57% (table 2). These can be attributed to the increased number of Substance Abuse Control Officers (SACOs), Drug Testing Coordinators/UPCs and Drug Testing Observers trained this Fiscal Year (table 3). These newly trained personnel also helped in reducing the number of drug testing fatal discrepancies, thus maintaining the integrity of the drug testing program.

The illegal drug trend (table 2) shifted from Cocaine in FY2018 to THC in FY2019 as the number drug of choice. However, this fiscal year we have posted one drug positive for steroid abuse. This was the first in the last 3 fiscal years.

OUR DDRP is also involved in the greater community through “Adopt-a-School” with AZTEC High School and Outreach Program with Yuma Union High School District and Provide drug education to The Yuma Young Marines and Territorial Young Marines.

Looking forward, the DDRP will continue working on decreasing the number of positive drug test results and increasing the numbers of service members being tested. Additionally, DDRP will work on increasing awareness on the dangers of using Fentanyl and vaping flavored oils and Cannabidiol (CBD). Of note, Fentanyl has resulted in several fatal overdose accidents among high school students in Yuma County. There has also been a number of registered cases of lung disease caused by vaping locally, and seven deaths nationally.

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<td>Number of drug testing positives</td>
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* Drug testing samples submitted to NDSL, Great Lakes were retrieved from IFOTL on September 1, 2019.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONTROL OFFICERS
OF THE QUARTER

3rd QUARTER

Sgt Nathaniel Alderette
MALS-13

4th QUARTER

GySgt Robert Robertson
CLC-16

CONGRATULATIONS!